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DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the Statement Under 37 CFR 3.81(b) And 37 CFR 1.323, filed July 6, 2010, which is being treated as a Petition Under 37 CFR 3.81(b) to accept the omission of the second assignee's name. A completed Certificate of Correction Form (PTO/SB/44) was submitted with Petition.

The petition under 37 CFR 3.81(b) is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner requests that the present Petition was submitted to correct the omission of the second assignee's name on the previously submitted PTOL-85B and such error was inadvertent. Accordingly, petitioner requests that a Certificate of Correction (PTO/SB/44) be issued to add the omitted second assignee's name to the Title Page of the Letters Patent.

37 CFR 3.81(b), effective June 25, 2004, reads:

After payment of the issue fee: Any request for issuance of an application in the name of the assignee submitted after the date of payment of the issue fee, and any request for a patent to be corrected to state the name of the assignee, must state that the assignment was submitted for recordation as set forth in § 3.11 before issuance of the patent, and must include a request for a certificate of correction under § 1.323 of this chapter (accompanied by the fee set forth in § 1.20(a) and the processing fee set forth in § 1.17(i) of this chapter.

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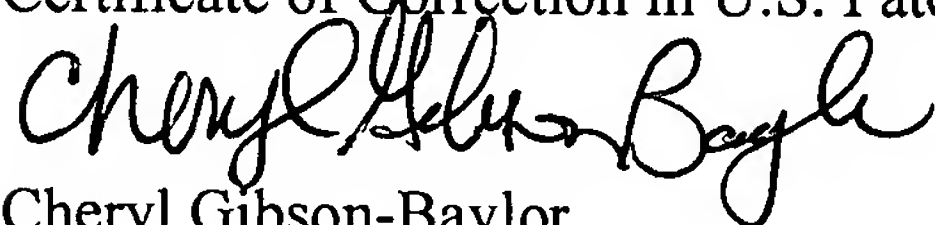
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The requisite \$100.00 fee (Fee Code 1811) as set forth under 37 CFR 1.20(a), and the requisite \$130.00 processing fee (Fee Code 1464) as set forth under 37 CFR 1.17(i) have been submitted. Further, Office assignment records are consistent with the requested correction. Accordingly, since the Petition complies with the provisions of 37 CFR 3.81(b), it is appropriate for the Office to issue a Certificate of Correction in accordance with the content of the Form PTO/SB/44 that accompanied the petition.

Inquiries related this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3213.

Any questions concerning the issuance of a Certificate of Correction should be directed to the Certificates of Correction Branch at (571) 272-4200.

This matter is being referred to the Certificates of Correction Branch for processing of a Certificate of Correction in U.S. Patent No. 7,717,996.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cheryl Gibson-Baylor".

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